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River District Webinar Will Navigate Water Project Funding

“How to Make it Rain When it’s Not Raining – Funding Your West Slope Water Project,” is the next installment of the District’s popular Water With Your Lunch series.

Glenwood Springs, CO — On June 29, the Colorado River District will host a virtual Water With Your Lunch workshop to help West Slope water users successfully navigate the federal funding opportunities provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. A cross-discipline team of River District staff members will present information about specific funding categories for water projects, how to put together a successful federal grant application, and how to leverage other grant opportunities to maximize funding and project impacts.

“Most water users don’t have time to wade through the dense, multi-faceted federal program language to kickstart project funding,” said the District’s Senior Water Resource Engineer, Raquel Flinker. “That’s why we’re working alongside our water users to better understand all the components, requirements, and deadlines, and look forward to being a comprehensive resource for our constituents.”

Along with a look at the various federal funding pools for water projects, River District staff will present details on the recently established Community Funding Partnership “[Accelerator Grant](#).” This special funding opportunity is designed to support the grant-writing, feasibility, design, preliminary environmental review, benefit analysis, and engineering needed to complete federal funding applications. The deadline for this grant cycle is August 1.

“We want these Accelerator Grants to help West Slope water users build competitive applications for federal funding opportunities, most of which received large-scale infusions of funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law,” said Amy Moyer, Director of Strategic Partnerships. “The resources are out there, and the communities who could benefit most here in our District deserve to access all levels of financial support for their water projects. We hope our grant will break down some barriers to entry.”

Water With Your Lunch webinars are always free, but registration is required. To RSVP for this Water With Your Lunch webinar, please visit bit.ly/WWYL-WaterFunding.

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